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Phillis Johnson-Ball
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K St. NW
Washington, D.C. 20423
Finance Docket No. 34747

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the trash transfer station proposed in Wilmington at the Olin Chemical site. My husband and I have been residents of Wilmington for 17 years. We have two children ages 11 and 8. In the last 17 years, we have seen much change in Wilmington. Wilmington continues to grow in population and with that population has meant increased traffic. Two major condominium complexes are being planned for the center of town. I truly believe Wilmington cannot handle any more traffic. If the Transrail site is approved, the truck activity would be detrimental to Route 38 and the surrounding residents.

I do not live on the side of town where the site is being proposed. However, I am upset that they would even consider Wilmington for the Transrail site. The extent of the contamination Olin Chemical has caused remains to be understood. The site should remain undeveloped until its contamination issues are fully understood and resolved. Because of the damage Olin Chemicals has caused, Wilmington is only able to use four of our nine water wells. As you probably know, use of sprinklers is forbidden and we are forced to watch helpless as we lose our lawns year after year. This may sound trivial but my husband and I take great pride in our property and its value. I feel all property values in Wilmington will suffer if the Transrail site is allowed to come in. Please consider finding another less burdened town for the Transrail site. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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